

Tool 3 – Tree of Inquiry

Welcome to the Thinking Tree exercise.

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This tool helps you explore ideas deeply by asking questions, answering them, and continuing to ask new questions that grow from your answers—just like branches on a tree.

It's designed to encourage reflective thinking, problem solving, and professional growth.

Q1

What's an important question you're thinking about?

(Example: How can I improve communication with my team?)

Q2

How would you answer that question?*(Try to explain your reasoning or what you've learned so far.)*

Q3

What follow-up question naturally grows from your answer above?*(Example: What specific habits or tools help people communicate more effectively?)*

Q4

How would you answer that follow-up question?

Q5

What additional question comes from your latest answer?

Q6

How did this process change your thinking? (Optional)

Q7

Would you like to continue exploring this topic further?*(Choose one)*☐

Yes, I'd like to continue asking and answering more questions

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No, I'm finished for now

Q8

What was your most valuable insight from this exercise?

Q9

Are there next steps you'd like to take based on what you discovered?
